



NR-20-54

News Release

October 21, 2020

September Milk Production

Dairy herds in Michigan produced 950 million pounds of milk during September, up 2.3 percent from a year ago, according to Marlo Johnson, Regional Director of USDA, NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office. Production per cow in Michigan averaged 2,220 pounds for September, 50 pounds above September 2019. The dairy herd was estimated at 428,000 head for September, unchanged from a year earlier.

Milk production in the 24 major States during September totaled 17.2 billion pounds, up 2.4 percent from September 2019. August revised production, at 17.8 billion pounds, was up 1.9 percent from August 2019. The August revision represented an increase of 1 million pounds or less than 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 24 major States averaged 1,944 pounds for September, 36 pounds above September 2019. The number of milk cows on farms in the 24 major States was 8.85 million head, 46,000 head more than September 2019, and 6,000 head more than August 2020.

Milk Production – Michigan and 24 Selected States: September 2019 and 2020

Commodity	Michigan		24 Major States	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
Cows1,000 Hd	428	428	8,805	8,851
Monthly rate per cow Pounds	2,170	2,220	1,908	1,944
Production Mil lbs	929	950	16,796	17,206